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TUNGSTEN CARBIDE AND A PROCESS  
FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF, AND  
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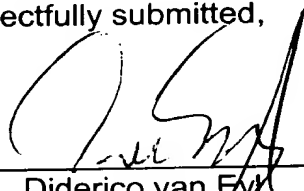
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